THE WIND BLOWING FROM LAND TOWARDS THE SEA AND THE FISHERMEN'S TOWN FULL OF WOODEN BUILDINGS...
VROOOOOM
WE NEED TO HOLD THE FIRE BACK AT THE ONE BUILDING THAT'S BURNING NOW...!
VROOOOOM
THE CIVILIANS WITH ESCAPE ROUTE BLOCKED BY THE LIBERATION ARMY AND THE FRIENDLY FORCES THAT CAN'T MOVE THOUGHTLESSLY WITH THEIR STRATEGY OF CAREFUL WAITING...
VROOOOOM
IN CASE THE FIRE SPREADS, IT WILL BECOME A LARGE-SCALE CONFLAGRATION THAT CAN'T BE STOPPED BY THE LOCAL FIRE BRIGADE WITH THEIR MANUALLY OPERATED HOSES...

#17. Dripping fire and iron casket
2ND TANK, MOVE BACK A BIT AND CLEAR THE ROAD FOR THE INFANTRY WITH US!
VROOOOOM
VROOOOOM
CLUNK
YOICHI, RETREAT 30 METERS BACK IN LOW GEAR.

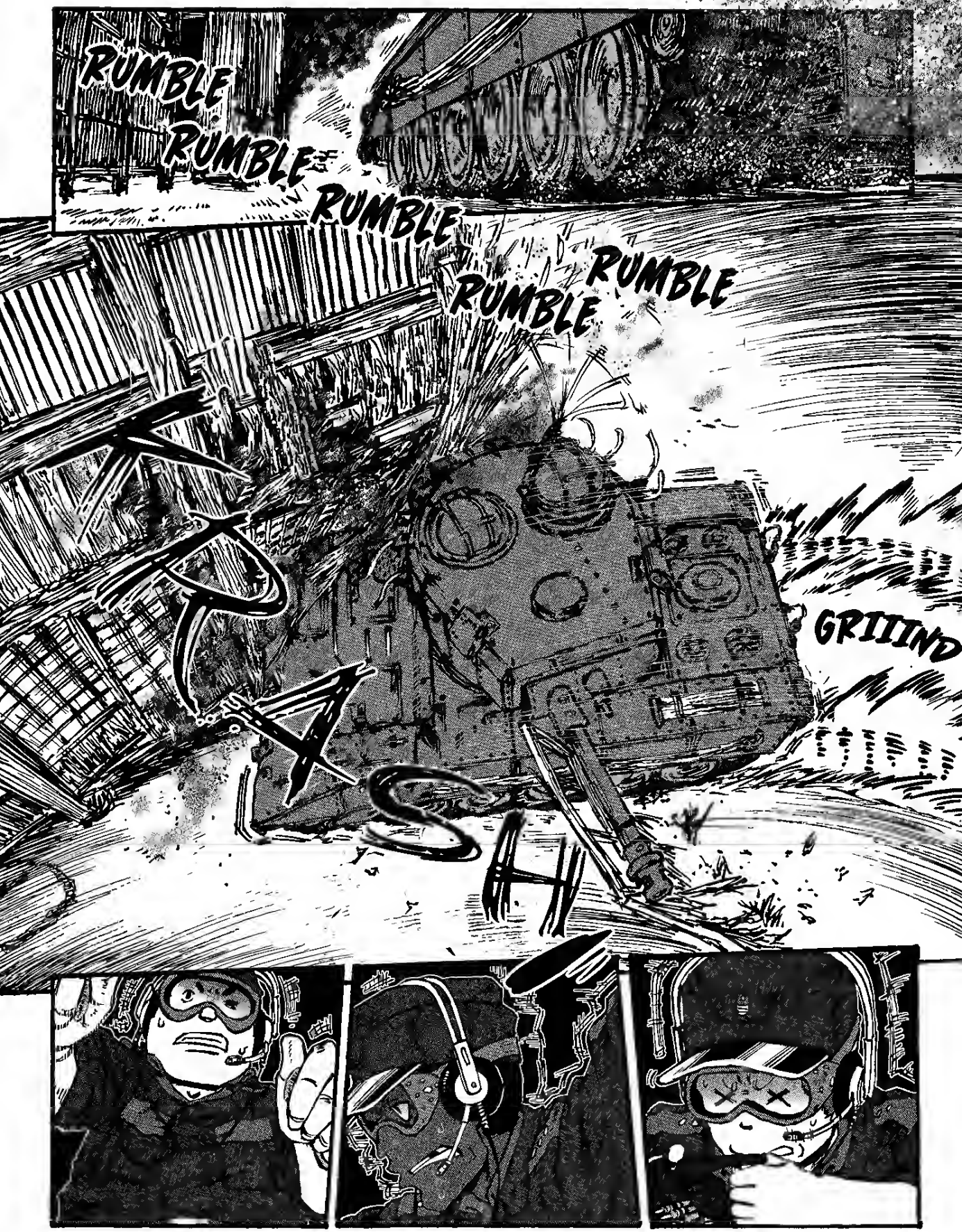
WESLEY, DROP THE EXTRA FUEL TANKS.
CLATER CLATER CLATER
CLUNK
CLUNK
CLUNK
DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT! ROTATE THE TURRET 120 DEGREES TO THE LEFT!
HEY, REGGIE. WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO MAKE US DO?
CLICK
YEAH, YEAH, I GET IT! OUR AMAZING COMMANDER KNOWS BETTER!
WHIRL
WHIRL
WHIRL
WHIRL

82ND INFANTRY, THE 36TH PLATOON! ARMOURED PLATOON WILL NOW BEGIN ACTIONS TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF FIRE! CLEAR THE PREMISES IN A 20-METER RADIUS!
KOOOOM
ROGER, ROGER. DO WHATEVER YOU WANT!!
There's nothing left but to believe in the commander and move.
We're not moving to evacuate...
YOICHI, PIVOT TURN 30 DEGREES TO THE LEFT.

SHUT UP, IGNORANT FOOLS!! WE'RE CREATING A NATION HERE, COOPERATE A LITTLE!!
DON'T DRAG ORDINARY FOLKS INTO THIS...!
...I'M BEGGING YOU, LET US ESCAPE...!
Please, create a commotion as BIG as possible and drag the enemy out from the rear.
...UGH.
HEY.
IDIOT. THE LINE OF DEFENSE WILL COLLAPSE IF NO ONE IS HERE.
SERGEANT BURROW.
ARE WE NOT EVACUATING?
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
LIM,

YES, SIR.
AND MAKE SURE TO COME BACK PROPERLY.
ALRIGHT.
EVEN IF IT'S MERELY FOR POSTERITY'S SAKE, IT WILL MAKE IT EASIER FOR US IF WE ACCIDENTALLY SHOOT A CIVILIAN.
GO AND MAKE A REQUEST TO COMMAND FOR US TO SHOOT ANY HOSTILE CITIZENS FOR THE SAKE OF MAINTAINING THE POSITIONS.
WE'VE REMOVED ALL OF THE EXPLOSIVE MATERIALS TOO!
EVACUATION OF THE CIVILIANS COMPLETE!!
MOVE AWAY FROM THIS HOUSE AT ONCE!
THUNK
IT'S FINE, GRAND-MA!
NO WAY, THAT'S OUR HOME...
GOT IT!
1ST TANK, EVERYONE, LISTEN CAREFULLY.

WE WILL NOW STOP THE FIRE'S SPREAD BY DESTROYING THE BUILDING THAT JUST HAD IT'S RESIDENTS EVACUATED BEFORE US.
WE'LL PLUNGE THROUGH THE HOUSE AT FULL SPEED, WHILE AIMING FOR THE ANGLE PILLAR KEEPING OUR COURSE 60 DEGREES TO THE LEFT.
START IT ALREADY, FOR THE SAKE OF OUR RATIONS!!
...SHIT...
KER CLUNK
IF WE DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT, WE'LL END UP BEING TOLD TO PAY REPARATIONS OR TAKE RESPONSIBILITY!
IT'S THE OPPOSITE, YOICHI.
...
IF WE EVACUATE AND ALLOW THE FIRE TO SPREAD, WE'LL LOSE OUR POSITIONS...!
THUD


RUMBLE
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RUMBLE
GRIIIND

0% OUTPUT TO THE LEFT WHEEL FOR 5 SECONDS!!
THUD
NOW!
KOCLUNK
DING
SCRAPE
So they plan to crush the surrounding buildings to prevent the spread of fire...
...HOW MANY BOTTLES DO WE HAVE LEFT!? HAND THEM OVER TO ME!!
SHUT UP!!!
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO IF THE TANK KILLS US TOO!?
MOVE OVER THERE!!
WHAT DOES THAT TANK INTEND TO DO...!?

THIS IS ALL WE HAD PREPARED!
A tank showed it's ass to us, it's a chance we didn't have until now!
We've caused ruckus...! It will be a godsend if this hits, right?

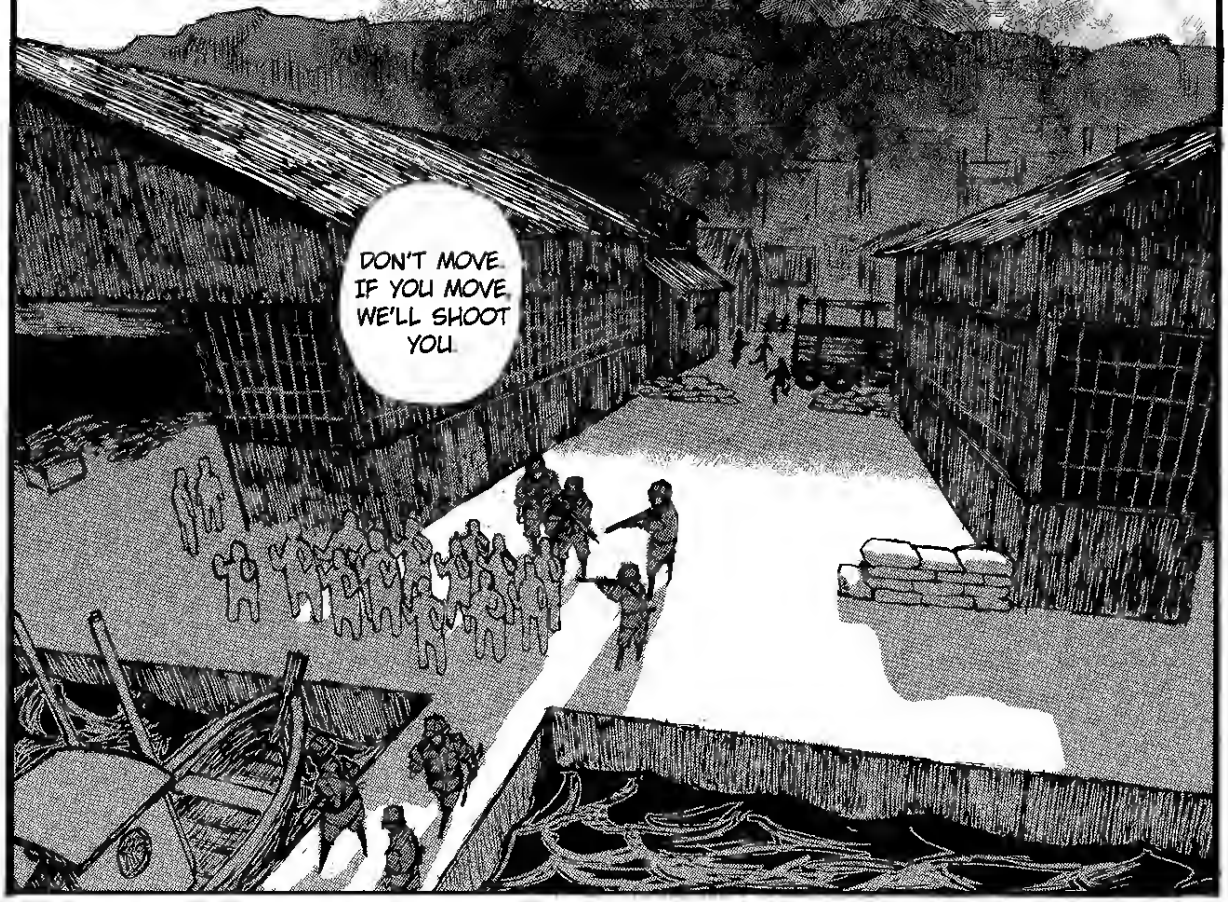
VROOOOOOM
CUT THROUGH IT AND GO OUT TO THE LEFT!!
2ND GEAR, FULL THROTTLE TO BOTH TRACKS,
FORWARD!!
CRUSH

CRUSH
GRIND
KRUSH
KRISH

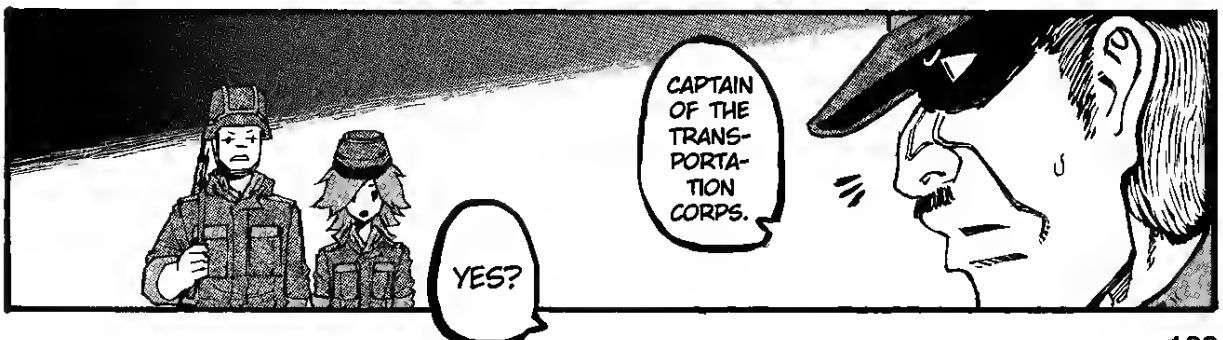
This is terrible...
CRUSH
CRUMBLE
KRAK
THUNK
...

CRACKLE
CRACKLE
RUMBLE...
WHAT...

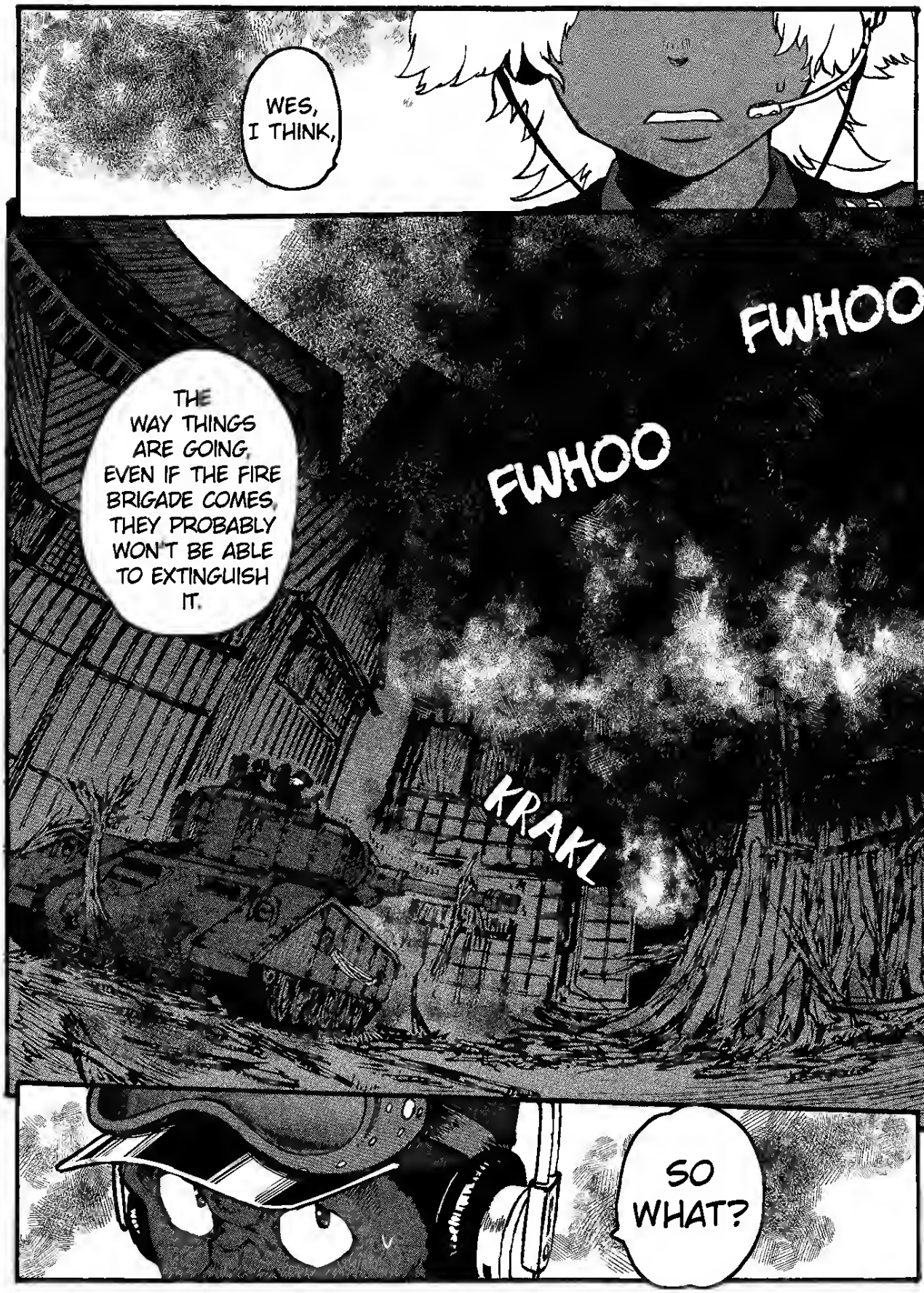
SO, THIS SHOULD DO, RIGHT? YEAH?
THUNK
THUD THUD
This should create some space with the building on fire
...HEY.
REGINA?


DON'T MOVE. IF YOU MOVE, WE'LL SHOOT YOU.

DAMN, AT SUCH A BUSY TIME TOO...
12 PEOPLE.
...HOW MANY OF THEM?


YES?
CAPTAIN OF THE TRANS-PORTA-TION CORPS.

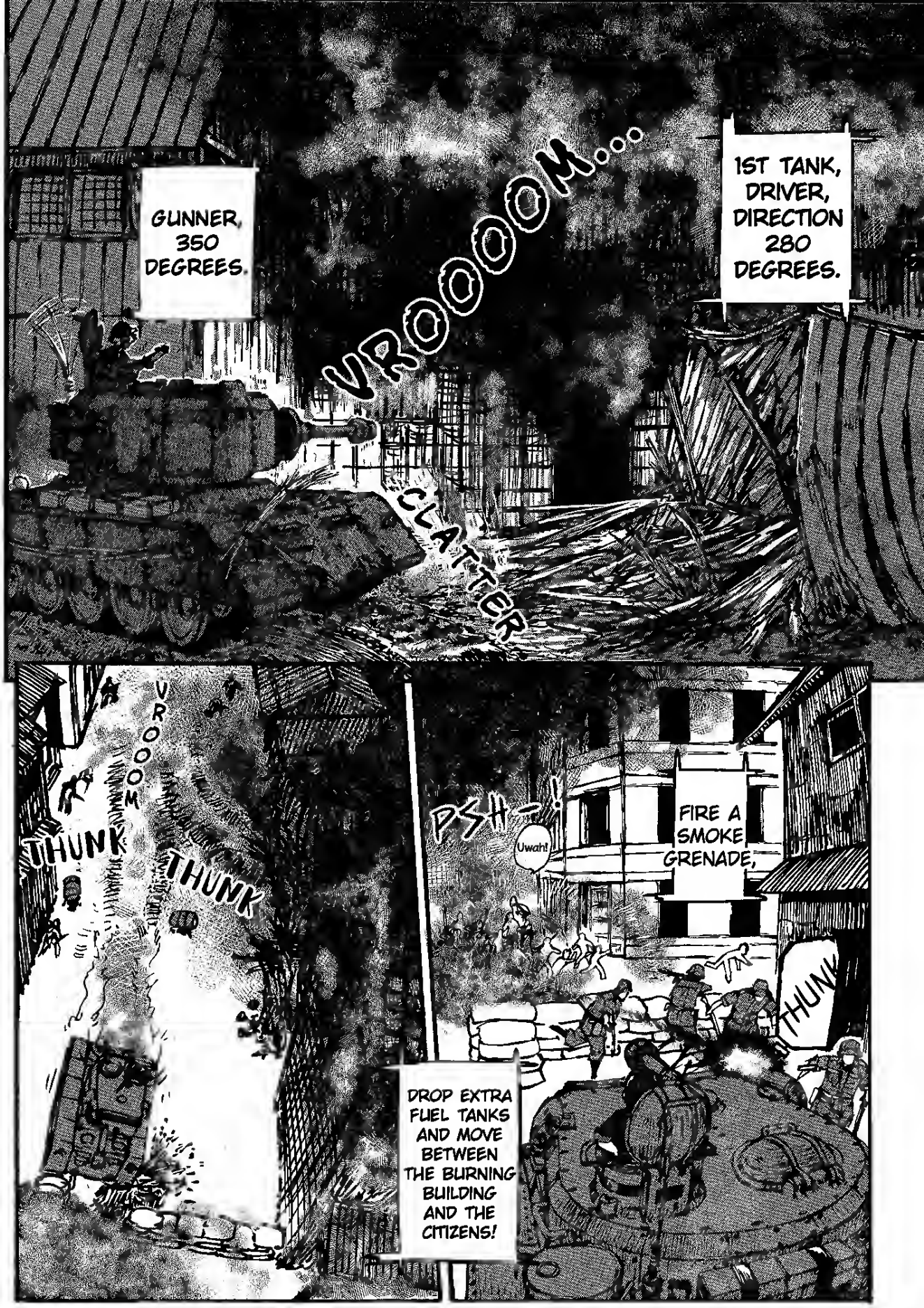
WE ARE...
...AYE, YOU CAME AT JUST THE RIGHT TIME, WE'RE SHORT OF HANDS,
IF THERE'S ANYTHING WE CAN HELP WITH, BY ALL MEANS, PLEASE TELL US.
AMONG 16 PEOPLE IN OUR CADET CORPS, THERE ARE 10 NOT BUSY WITH ANYTHING.
VICE-COMMANDER OF OFFICER CADETS CORPS YURI LAVENDER CORPORAL CANDIDATE
COMMANDER OF OFFICER CADETS CORPS RIDLEY LAVENDER MASTER SERGEANT CANDIDATE
IN RELATION TO THIS MATTER, HOW ABOUT THIS MUCH?
WE CAN MANAGE 2000J...
I'M IN!
ALRIGHT! GENTLEMEN OF OUR TRANSPORTATION CORPS, PLEASE DILIGENTLY SUPERVISE THESE PRISONERS!
BUT OF COURSE, HELPING WITH FIRE EXTINGUISHING IS ALSO OUR IMPORTANT JOB. RIGHT? GOT IT?

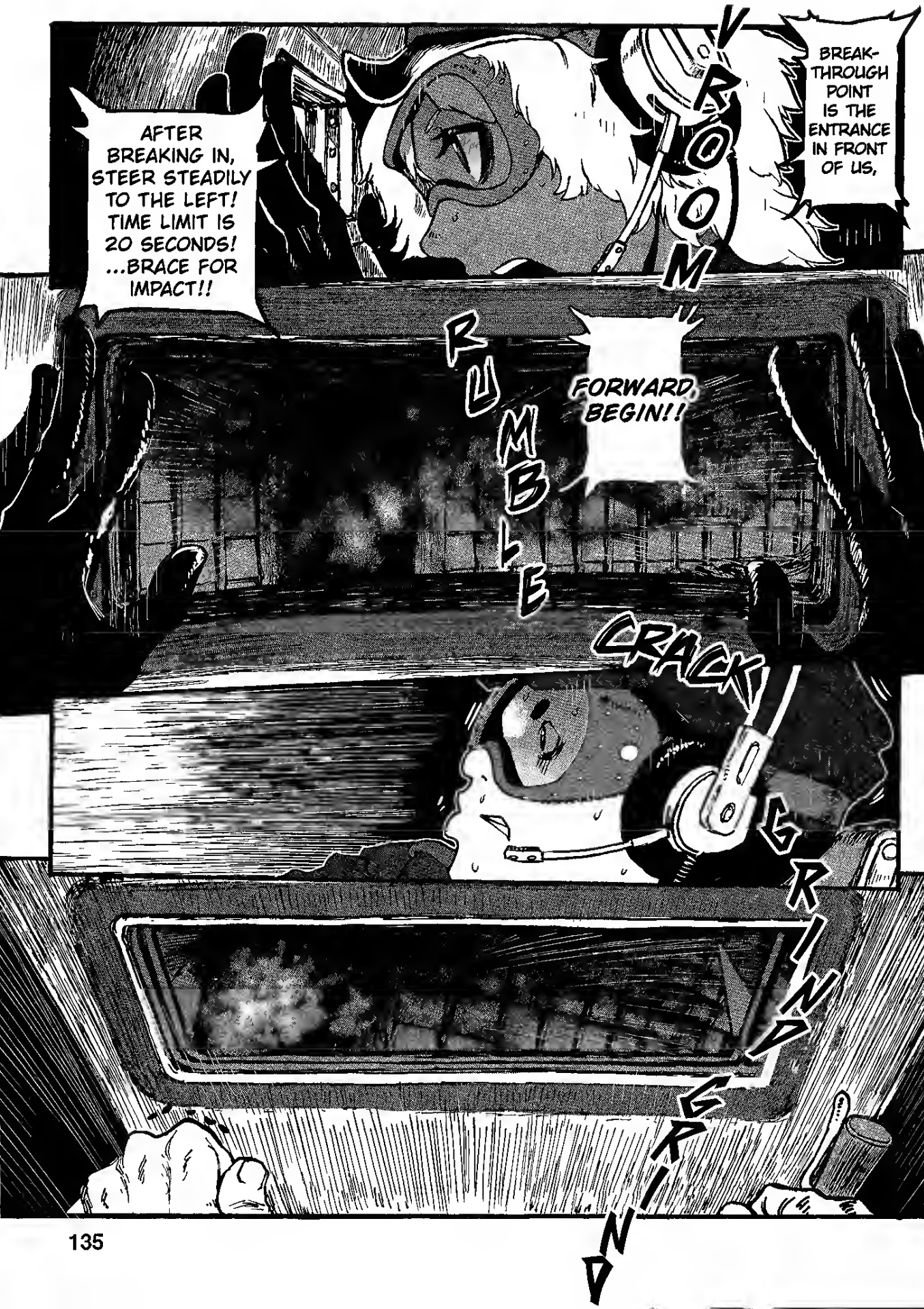

WES, I THINK,
FWHOO
FWHOO
THE WAY THINGS ARE GOING, EVEN IF THE FIRE BRIGADE COMES, THEY PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO EXTINGUISH IT.
KRAKL
SO WHAT?

THAT'S NOT A NORMAL FIRE, RIGHT!? THERE IS OIL FROM THE BOTTLES DRIPPING INSIDE THAT PLACE WHILE BURNING!
IF ANY OF THAT HAPPENS TO FALL INTO AN EXHAUST PORT, ONE DROP WILL TURN US ALL INTO ROAST PORK!! THAT'S NOT ALL,
IF WE THRUST THROUGH THE BUILDING ON FIRE AND CRUSH IT FLAT...
HEY,
HOW SILLY CAN YOU GET!?
IF GASOLINE LEAKS FROM THE ENGINE, THE HEAT WILL SCORCH THE TRACKS AND THAT WILL BE THE END OF US!!
...REGINA. WE PROPERLY DID WHAT WE WERE SUPPOSED TO DO NOW!
THERE IS NO NEED TO RESIGN OUR LIVES TO FATE TO SUCK UP TO THOSE CONTINENTALS!!

I... GUESS?
IF IT'S THE SAME RESIGNATION, LET US CHOSE THE PATH THAT LEADS TO HIGHER REWARDS...!
BUT THAT'S WHY I THINK STAYING STILL AND WATCHING LIKE THIS ALSO MEANS RESIGNING OURSELVES TO FATE.
WES, I ALSO CAN'T TRUST THE LIKES OF CONTINENTALS AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND FOR WHAT REASON THEY'RE TAKING THINGS AWAY FROM PEOPLE.
MAKE IT COLLAPSE INSIDE LIKE A CLOSING FLOWER
THE ISLAND'S TRADITIONAL WOODEN BUILDINGS HAVE A THICK POLE CALLED THE CENTRAL PILLAR.
IF WE JUST BREAK THAT INTERNAL PILLAR IN THE MIDDLE THAT SUPPORTS THE WHOLE BUILDING, WE'LL MAKE THE ENTIRE HOUSE COLLAPSE INSIDE OF ITSELF.
THIS BUILDING IS SHAPED LIKE LETTER "L", SO IT'S HARD TO DESTROY

2ND TANK, CAN YOU HEAR ME?
VROOOM...
Damn, this is desperate...
SEPTEMBER, IS INTER-TANK RADIO WORKING?
IT'S ON.
ARE THE MOLOTOV COCKTAIL ATTACKS STILL ONGOING?
RUMBLE
...NO!
THEY'VE STOPPED THROWING THE BOTTLES! IT'S UNCLEAR WHETHER THEY'RE OUT OF AMMO OR ARE WAITING FOR A CHANCE!
36TH ARMOURED PLATOON, 2ND TANK'S COMMANDER 2ND LIEUTENANT TATSUO KAWABATA
They're out of ammo. If it's an improvised force, they shouldn't have substantial amount of weapons.
2ND, AFTER FIRING ONE SMOKE GRENADE, MOVE INTO THE SPACE BETWEEN THE PEOPLE AND THE BUILDING ON FIRE AND STOP!
R...
ROGER!


GUNNER, 350 DEGREES.
VROOOOM...
1ST TANK, DRIVER, DIRECTION 280 DEGREES.
CLATTER
VROOOM
THUNK
THUNK
PSH—!
Uwah!
FIRE A SMOKE GRENADE,
THUNK
DROP EXTRA FUEL TANKS AND MOVE BETWEEN THE BURNING BUILDING AND THE CITIZENS!


BREAK-THROUGH POINT IS THE ENTRANCE IN FRONT OF US,
VROOM
AFTER BREAKING IN, STEER STEADILY TO THE LEFT! TIME LIMIT IS 20 SECONDS! ...BRACE FOR IMPACT!!
FORWARD, BEGIN!!
RUMBLE
CRACK
GRIND
GRIND

GUNNER, TURRET TO THE FRONT!
TWRL
TWRL
TWRL
ドドド

ARE YOU IN POSITION!?
CRACKLE
2ND!!
SHIIIT, MY PRECIOUS BARREL...!
SNAP...
SNAP...
THUD
FSHHH
VROOOOOM
YOICHI, 1 METER BACK-WARDS.
SEPT-EMBER GET READY TO FIRE!
GUH
HOWL
HOWL
THIS IS 2ND, WE'RE IN OUR PLACE!!

AIM AT THE CENTRAL PILLAR IN FRONT OF YOU.
VROOOOOOOOOM
2ND TANK WILL SHIELD THE CITIZENS, SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT WHAT'S ACROSS FROM YOU AND SHOOT!!
CLICK!
BEGIN!!!
CRACKLE
FIVE-ROUND BURSTS.
POP
SHHH.
ROLL

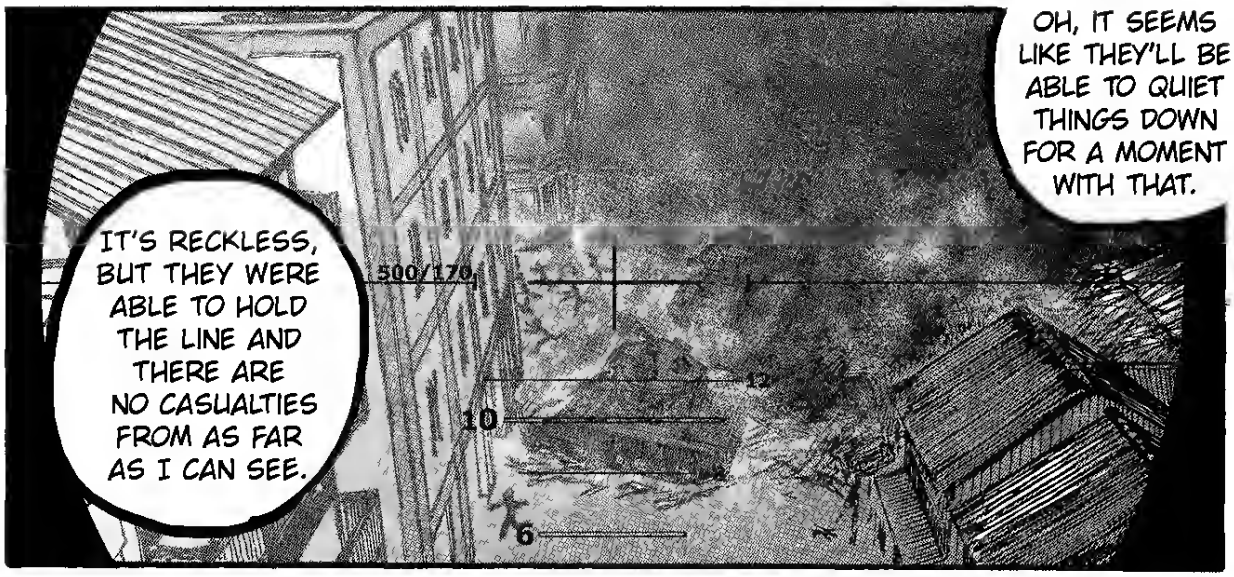
RUMBLE
CLATTER
HYAAA!!!

DRIVER, FULL SPEED AHEAD!!
DO YOU WANT TO GET STIR FRIED!!?
COME ON, LET US MOVE ALREADY!!!
KA-LUNK
CRY
SNAP
CUTTER

KRASH!
GUNNER, PREPARE TO FIRE THE MAIN GUN.
...W-WHAT IS IT NOW...?

AIM AT THE NORTHERN SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN. GET READY TO FIRE,
CLATTER
CLATTER
POW
SAME TYPE OF AMMUNITION.
RUMBLE...
CLICK
WE'RE WITH-DRAWING. THE PLAN HAS SUCCEEDED.
NOW TO THE CAMP, TOGETHER WITH OUR HOSTAGES...!
Hah...
BEGIN.
Hah....

KABOOM


OH, IT SEEMS LIKE THEY'LL BE ABLE TO QUIET THINGS DOWN FOR A MOMENT WITH THAT.
IT'S RECKLESS, BUT THEY WERE ABLE TO HOLD THE LINE AND THERE ARE NO CASUALTIES FROM AS FAR AS I CAN SEE.
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AS EXPECTED, THE MILITARY IS AMAZING. I SUPPOSE YOU CAN'T RUN THE ISLAND IF YOU PLAY BY THE BOOK...
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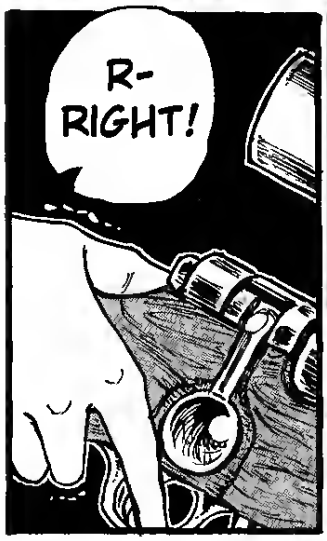

R-RIGHT!

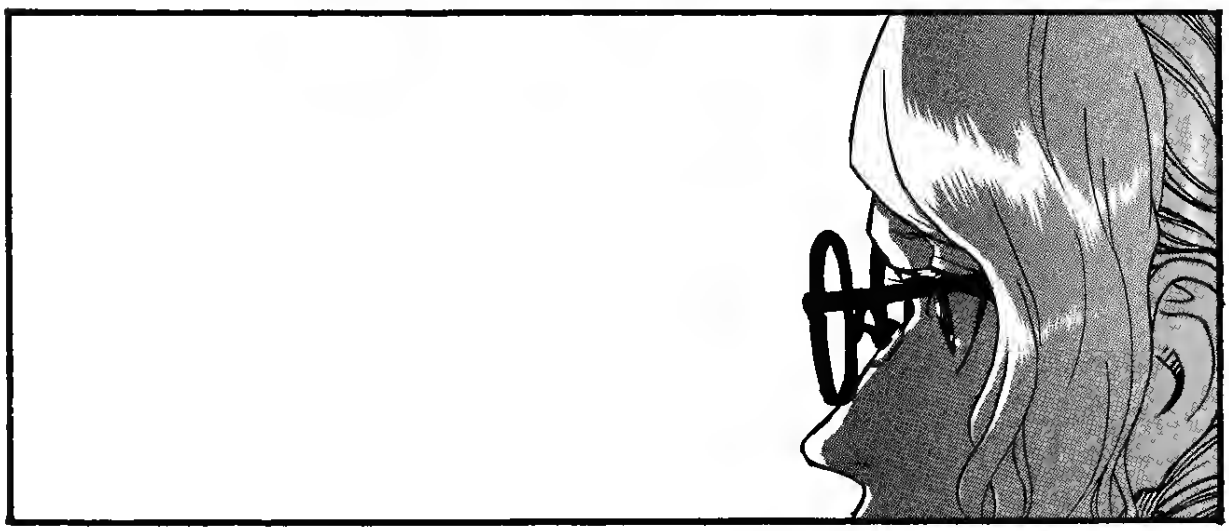
I HAD A HUNCH WHEN I HEARD THE GUNSHOT, WAS IT YOU SNIPING?

GOOD JOB.

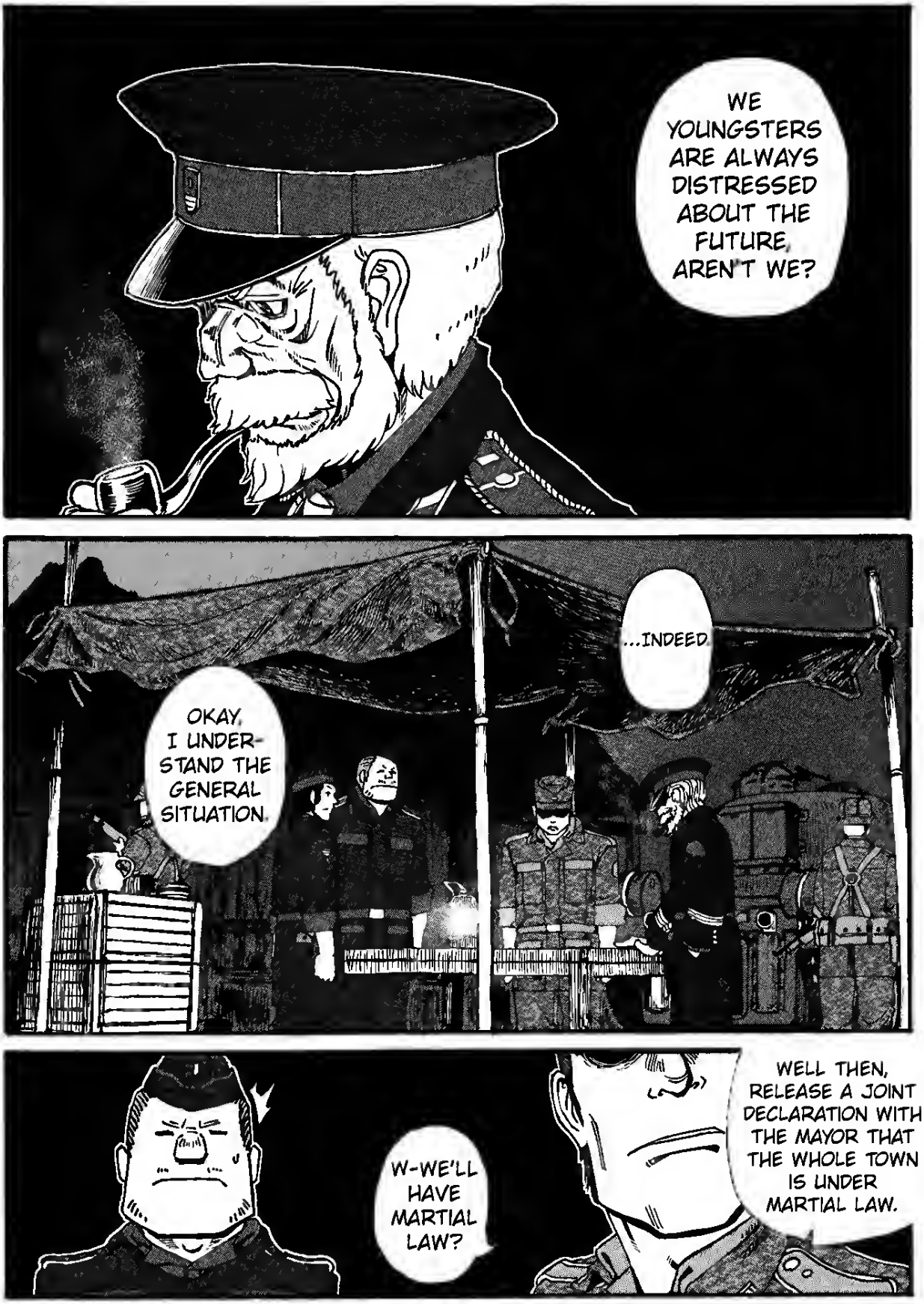
WHOA? YOU SHOT A BOTTLE? THAT IS AMAZING.
SUPER APPEAL MODE!!
WE C-C-C-CONTRIBUTED TO KEEPING THE FIRE IN CHECK BY SHOOTING A MOLOTOV COCKTAIL AN ENEMY HAD! HEHEHE!
... I'LL ASK JUST IN CASE, WHAT METHOD DID THEY CHOOSE?
IT SEEMS THAT THE 36TH ARMOURED PLATOON HAD SKILLFULLY PACIFIED THE SITUATION.
THE REPORT HAS COME.
OKAY.
W-WELL, IT'S JUST AS YOU SAW...
LOOKS LIKE THEY CRUSHED THE BUILDING THAT WAS ON FIRE AND THE ADJACENT BUILDING WITH THE TANK'S HULL, STOPPED THE FIRE AND MADE PEOPLE SCATTER BY FIRING THEIR MAIN GUN.
AHA HA HA!!
AWESOME! THEY DON'T FOLLOW MILITARY PATTERNS!

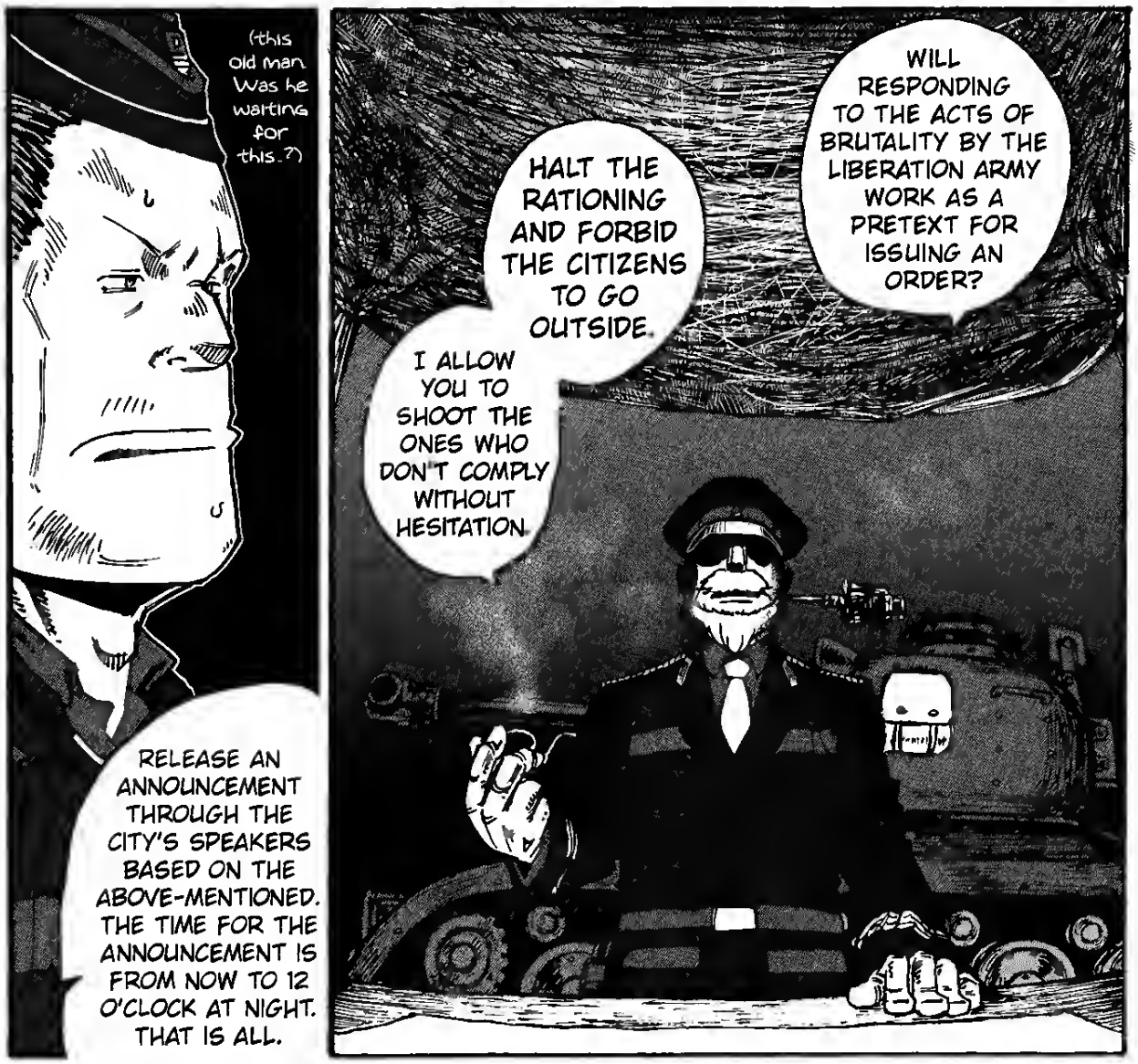
RUMBLE...
ISN'T IT NICE? I LOVE THAT IN PEOPLE, AHAHAHA!
THAT MEANS THEY HAVE THE RESOLUTION TO PLAY THEIR ROLE UNTIL THE BITTER END!
Anyway, I need to somehow find a good opportunity.
ANSWER FRANKLY DURING THE INTERROGATION.
WE'LL TRANSFER YOU TO A PLACE WHERE YOU'LL BE SEARCHED.
Certainly, It seems the opponents don't have enough people now, but... how can we possible find weapons and escape from here..?

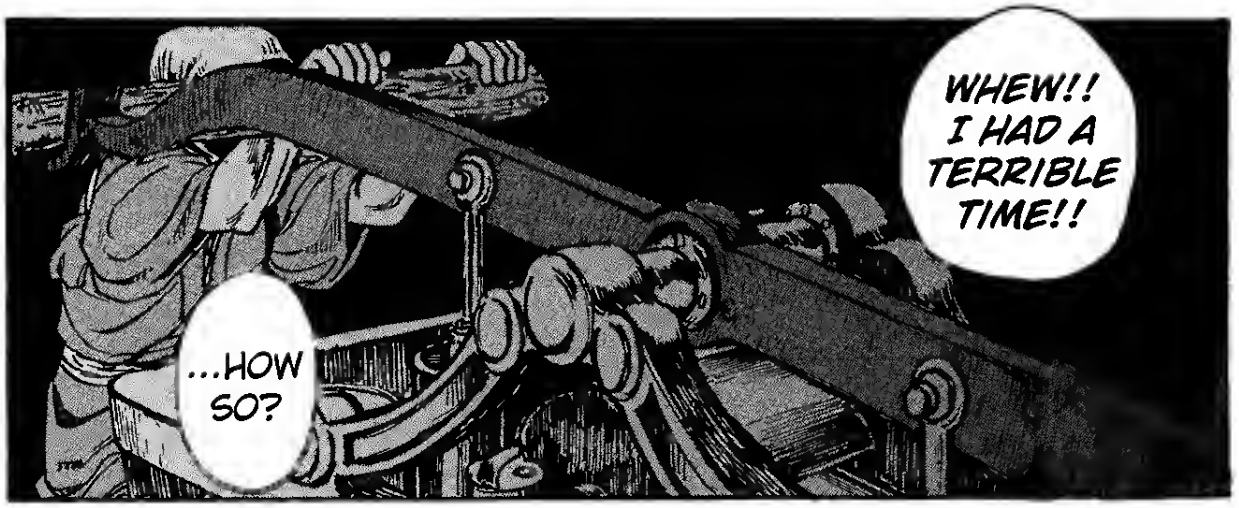
ARE YOU THE LEADER?
SQUEEZE...
DON'T WORRY. ACCORDING TO MILITARY REGULATIONS, I WILL INTERROGATE YOU AS A PERSON OF SAME GENDER.
AS FELLOW WOMEN, LET'S HAVE A GOOD DISCUSSION ABOUT THE STATE OF OUR COUNTRY.



...I WONDER IF THIS IS OKAY...
IT IS OKAY... IT'S FINE.
...YOU'RE QUITE CONFIDENT, AREN'T YOU?
YES... I AM.


WE YOUNGSTERS ARE ALWAYS DISTRESSED ABOUT THE FUTURE, AREN'T WE?
...INDEED.
OKAY, I UNDER-STAND THE GENERAL SITUATION.
W-WE'LL HAVE MARTIAL LAW?
WELL THEN, RELEASE A JOINT DECLARATION WITH THE MAYOR THAT THE WHOLE TOWN IS UNDER MARTIAL LAW.


(this old man. Was he waiting for this..?)
RELEASE AN ANNOUNCEMENT THROUGH THE CITY'S SPEAKERS BASED ON THE ABOVE-MENTIONED. THE TIME FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT IS FROM NOW TO 12 O'CLOCK AT NIGHT. THAT IS ALL.
I ALLOW YOU TO SHOOT THE ONES WHO DON'T COMPLY WITHOUT HESITATION.
HALT THE RATIONING AND FORBID THE CITIZENS TO GO OUTSIDE.
WILL RESPONDING TO THE ACTS OF BRUTALITY BY THE LIBERATION ARMY WORK AS A PRETEXT FOR ISSUING AN ORDER?


...HOW SO?
WHEW!! I HAD A TERRIBLE TIME!!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "HOW SO"? ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY WE'D WORKED UP A NICE SWEAT?
...HM...
DEFENDING OUR INTERESTS IS FINE, BUT LET'S LOOK FOR A STEADIER METHOD. THE WAY YOU DO IT IS TOO EXTREME!
IT COULDN'T BE HELPED!
AAAAAAAAAAAAAAA...
DON'T CRY, GRAND-MA...
...

MINE AND DAD'S HOOOO-OUSE...
GOT TEST-ROOO YET...
DON'T CRY, BECAUSE I'LL BUILD YOU ANOTHER ONE...!
I WILL!!!
AAAHHHHAA

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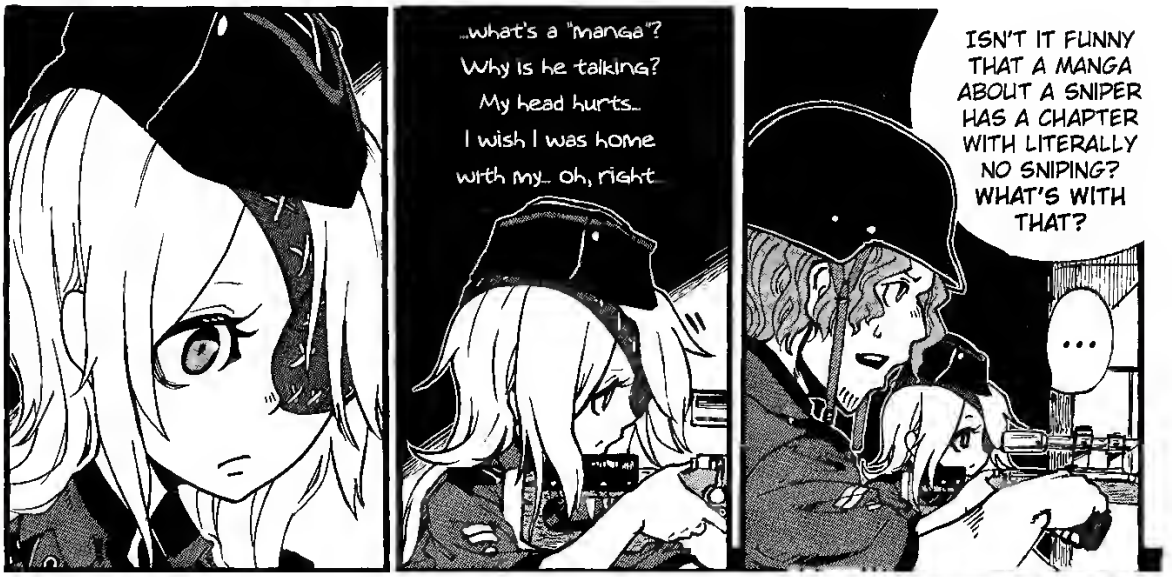
BREAKING MORE THAN ONE WALL


...what's a "manga"?
Why is he talking?
My head hurts...
I wish I was home
with my... Oh, right...
ISN'T IT FUNNY THAT A MANGA ABOUT A SNIPER HAS A CHAPTER WITH LITERALLY NO SNIPING? WHAT'S WITH THAT?
...

WE NEED HELP WITH THE FOLLOWING:
-TOKYO WARS (T/L, TS, OTHERS)
-GIRLS UND PANZER - RABURABU (TS)
-GUNNERS (ALL)
-SHIDENKAI NO MAKI (SFX EDITOR)
-OMEGA 7 (ALL)
-CAT SHIT ONE '80 (T/L, EDITOR)
AND SO MANY MORE!

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